

REMARKS

Claims 1-21 are pending in the present application with claims 22-50 withdrawn. With entry of this Amendment, Applicant amends claims 15, 22-30, 33, 34 and 36-38 and cancels claims 42-50 without prejudice.

Applicant notes with appreciation the allowance of claims 1-21. The Examiner has requested that withdrawn claims 22-50 be cancelled to place the application in condition for allowance.

Applicant respectfully submits that claim 1 is a generic claim. (See, e.g., Response to Restriction Requirement dated Feb. 15, 2005 at page 2, second full paragraph, last sentence and Amendment dated Oct. 18, 2005, page 20, second full paragraph). In view of the allowance of claim 1, Applicant has amended independent claims 22 and 33 to include the allowable subject matter of claim 1 and to better claim the invention. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submits that claims 22 and 33 are in condition for allowance.

Claims 23-32 depend from claim 22 and claims 34-41 depend from claim 33. Certain of these claims have also been amended to better claim the invention. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that dependent claims 23-32 and 34-41 are also in condition for allowance for at least the reasons set forth above with respect to claims 22 and 33.

Applicant has canceled the remaining claims, i.e., claims 42-50, without prejudice.

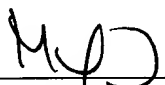
Finally, Applicant has amended allowed dependent claim 15 to better claim the invention.

If, for any reason, the Examiner finds the application other than in condition for allowance, Applicant requests that the Examiner contact the undersigned attorney at the Los Angeles telephone number (213) 892-5630 to discuss any steps necessary to place the application in condition for allowance.

In the unlikely event that the transmittal letter is separated from this document and the Patent Office determines that an extension and/or other relief is required, Applicant petitions for any required relief including extensions of time and authorizes the Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to **Deposit Account No. 03-1952** referencing Docket No. 514312000100.

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